



# SYNOPSIS

Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions  
2016 Maryland General Assembly Session

**March 7, 2016**  
**Schedule 37**

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## **SENATE BILLS INTRODUCED March 7, 2016**

### **SB 1152 Senator Manno**

#### **CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – TORAH SCHOOL OF GREATER WASHINGTON**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$300,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of The Torah School of Greater Washington, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Torah School of Greater Washington, located in Montgomery County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2016

Assigned to: Senate Rules

### **SB 1153 Senator Pugh**

#### **HEALTH INSURANCE – CLINICALLY INTEGRATED ORGANIZATIONS**

Altering the definition of “clinically integrated organization” for purposes of provisions of law governing contracts between specified health insurance carriers and clinically integrated organizations and the sharing of specified medical information by the health insurance carriers with clinically integrated organizations.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2016

IN, § 15-1901 - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

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**SB 1154 Senator Ready****COURTS – LIMITATION ON DAMAGES ARISING OUT OF BEDBUG EXTERMINATION**

Limiting compensation in a civil action against a pesticide business arising out of the business's treatment of a bedbug infestation to actual damages unless the business was grossly negligent; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

CJ, § 5-427 - added

Assigned to: Senate Rules

**SB 1155 Senator Zirkin****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BALTIMORE COUNTY – TALMUDICAL ACADEMY GYMNASIUM**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$500,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of The Talmudical Academy of Baltimore, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Talmudical Academy, located in Baltimore County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2016

Assigned to: Senate Rules

**SB 1156 Senators Zirkin and Miller****CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FOR SERVICES – OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC DEFENDER**

Requiring a specified designated official instead of the Office of the Public Defender to determine the eligibility of an applicant for representation by the Office; requiring the Court of Appeals to designate a person to determine the eligibility of an applicant for representation by the Office; providing that a person may apply in any District Court of the State for representation by the Office; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

CP, §§ 16-204 and 16-210 - repealed and CJ, §§ 1-801 through 1-805 - added

Assigned to: Senate Rules

**SB 1157 Senator Klausmeier****PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY – EASEMENT – POLICY AND NOTICE FOR PERFORMING WORK**

Requiring each public service company to establish a policy and procedures for performing work on property subject to the public service company's easement; requiring that a specified policy and procedures provide that a public service company that has not entered onto property subject to a specified easement within the past 2 years to provide 2 months' notice to the property owner of land subject to a specified easement before performing any work on the property.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

PU, § 5-305 - added

Assigned to: Senate Rules

**SB 1158 Senator McFadden****HIGHER EDUCATION – MORGAN STATE UNIVERSITY – OFFICE OF TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER**

Requiring the Board of Regents of Morgan State University to develop and implement a plan to enhance the Office of Technology Transfer at the University; requiring the Maryland Technology Development Corporation, at the request of the Board of Regents, to provide technical assistance to the Office of Technology Transfer; requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$1,000,000 to the University for each of fiscal years 2018 through 2020 for specified purposes; etc.

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

ED, § 14-104.2 - added

Assigned to: Senate Rules

**SB 1159 Senators Conway and Nathan–Pulliam****BALTIMORE CITY BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS – MEMBERS – TERMS AND APPOINTMENT**

Requiring the Governor, when evaluating an applicant for membership on the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City, to consider the need for geographic, political, racial, ethnic, cultural, and gender diversity on the Board; requiring the Governor to make an appointment to fill a vacancy on the Board within 30 days after the vacancy occurs; etc.

**EMERGENCY BILL**

AB, § 12-202 and Art. 2B, § 15-101(d) - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

**SB 1160 Senator Astle****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – SAMARITAN HOUSE**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$200,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of the Samaritan Houses, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Samaritan House, located in Anne Arundel County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2016

Assigned to: Senate Rules

**SB 1161 Senator Ferguson****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BALTIMORE CITY – HARBOR POINT PARKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Harbor Point Open Space Corp. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the parks and infrastructure at the Harbor Point development site, located in Baltimore City; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2016

Assigned to: Senate Rules

**SENATE BILL REASSIGNED March 4, 2016****SB 1092 Senator Rosapepe****NURSING FACILITIES – QUALITY ASSESSMENT – MODIFICATION**

Altering the applicability of a specified quality assessment imposed by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, and specified provisions of law relating to a specified quality assessment, to nursing facilities with 70 or more beds.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

HG, § 19-310.1 - amended

Reassigned to: Budget and Taxation